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## New e-FAN Man gives UNO students financial aid information they need to know

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NEWS EDITOR

Students won't have to wait next to their mailbox for their financial aid packets any longer.

UNO's financial aid office has announced the Electronic Financial Aid Notification, a new program that will notify current students of their financial aid and scholarship award information via e-mail.

The previous process for the office was to mail award letters.

Randy Sells, director of the financial aid office, said e-FAN would be an interactive Web site. He is excited to introduce the program to UNO.

"It's a natural extension of the world we live in," Sells said. "It's a Web-based product of the EBRUNO account. So, students don't have to wait to access the award information through mail."

Sells said the office will certainly save money by not using as much postage on award letters. The office mails out 15,000 to 20,000 awards each year.

"It can reduce mailing costs in my office by a good 70 percent," he said. "Certainly, we don't have to deal with that many papers coming into the office."

The federal processing center will post information about scholarships and financial aid options on the Web site.

"We're saving the days from the mailing going out and coming back," he said. "We're hoping the students will like the system."

Even though the awarding process hasn't begun, the

system is ready to handle the first FASFA award notifications from the March 1 priority deadline.

"In the paper process, we would send award letters once a week," Sells said. "This would all change. Now, the computer system would send notices nightly."

Since the e-mails are sent out electronically, Sells said he hopes the student response is almost instantaneous.

"We've had some students test the program and it takes just a few minutes to do it online," Sells said. "Now they don't have to worry about it being mailed."

The program was set up by UNO's information technology staff. Sells said the cost savings will be significant.

He estimated \$7,000 to \$10,000 will be saved this year with the program.

To get the word out about the process, Sells said the office created an e-FAN man and will be handing out flyers about the program. Megan Bose, a work-study student in the office,



Nathan Hall, Lachelle Fiscus and Megan Bose sit at a table in the Milo Bail Student Center Wednesday near the e-FAN man, who was created to help promote a new electronic award notification system of the financial aid office.

constructed a cardboard figure to help inform students about the new service.

"She brought this thing to life," Sells said. "It a great promotional piece."

## Higher salary increase negotiated for professors

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The American Association of University Professors told UNO faculty union members Feb. 22 they would be awarded a 3 percent pay increase.

The pay hike has been in the works for UNO faculty members for quite some time. The faculty union chose not to settle for a 1.75 percent increase but rather fought for a higher raise.

Some believe the higher increase was necessary for UNO to stay competitive.

In total, the difference between a 1.75 percent raise and a 3 percent increase is about \$450,000.

The salary increase comes at a time where UNO is facing hardships from a \$6.2 million budget reduction.

"We will have to take action to make up for that," said Derek Hodgson, vice chancellor for academic affairs.

Under current Nebraska law, the AAUP negotiates a new agreement on wages and working conditions every two years. The current contract was expected to run until June 2003. Last fall, a new cycle of negotiations began.

The faculty union has a team of negotiators that meet with the University of Nebraska Board of

Regents when deciding a contract.

Both groups review a number of issues relating to working conditions and salaries.

David Corbin, president-elect for the AAUP, said the group began the negotiation process with the regents months ago. The union compiled statistics from UNO's peer institutions to compare for contract bargaining.

"Our peer institutions are critical to what the arbitrary decides," Corbin said. "The deciding factor on our salary was that we at least meet the midpoint of our peer institutions."

Greg Sadlek, faculty senate president, said some of the peer institutions include Cleveland State, Portland State and the University of Texas in San Antonio.

"The reason these universities are called peers is because they are urban institutions," Sadlek said.

Since the Board of Regents and AAUP representatives could not reach a consensus on the amount of the salary increase, the contract had to be presented to a special master.

The special master is an elected official who was hired in advance by both sides to resolve contract decisions, Corbin said. The official is required to choose one of the two arguments.

The special master decided the union's request was more reasonable.

"We would hope that the university system would fund the whole 3 percent," Sadlek said. "That doesn't look like that would be the case, so UNO will have to make up the difference."

Some say it's inappropriate for faculty to accept pay raises when it is virtually certain other employees will be without jobs after this spring's budget reduction.

"We aren't apologetic for getting what is due to us," Corbin said. "The arbitrary looks at their ability to pay. We believe there has been money around."

Many professors are facing difficult times by teaching larger classes and receiving little pay in return, Corbin said.

"I'm not saying that this isn't going to be a hardship on the university," Corbin said. "If we got nothing for the two years, think about what that's going to do for faculty."

Many UNO faculty members still make less than \$40,000 a year even though they are teaching more classes with higher enrollments, Corbin said.

"This is a binding contract," Corbin said. "We're not voting on the pay raise. That is binding."

## Missouri Valley History Conference underway

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SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Embassy Suites in the Old Market district will be the site of the 46th annual Missouri Valley History Conference.

The event, which began Thursday, is hosted by the UNO Department of History and continues through Saturday.

More than 200 individuals are expected at this year's conference, which is covering topics such as Europe, World Wars I and II, the medical history of 20th century America, gender and sexuality in 20th century America, the Civil War, slavery in the 18th century Americas and writing urban history.

A number of UNO faculty members are serving as presenters for the conference's 40 sessions.

"Scholars from around the country will be coming to present new areas of research in the discipline," said Thomas Buchanan, assistant professor of history at UNO and program coordinator. "It's a great opportunity for the Omaha community to learn more about a variety of topics in history."

Donald Worster, professor of American history at the University of Kansas, is the guest speaker today at the 1 p.m. conference luncheon. His lecture is titled "Ice, Worms and Dirt: The Power of Nature in North American History."

Registration is \$55. Students are admitted free with identification. The luncheon, however, is \$15 for students.

The conference is being held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday. The Embassy Suites is located at 555 S. 10th St.

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## Women celebrate life at No Limits Conference

KARINE SOKPOH  
STAFF WRITER

War on Iraq, same-sex marriages and reproductive freedom were some of the topics discussed during the 2003 No Limits Conference, which was held Feb. 28 through March 2 at UNO's William H. Thompson Alumni Center.

This is the first time UNO's women's studies department has hosted the two-day interdisciplinary conference. Each year, No Limits draws in students and community members involved in women's studies from numerous academic departments and community groups.

The conference was introduced in 1994 by a group of University of Nebraska-Lincoln students who wanted to sponsor a conference adhering to the basic tenets of women's studies. It is now rotationally held each year among the three campuses of the NU system.

Rebecca Kaiser from UNL said women are the ones who pay the price of war. In her presentation, she called for action against war on Iraq.

"In times of war," she said, "abuses and violence against women raise up, and we can not tolerate that type of racism against women in general and third world women in particular."

Students from Lincoln, Kearney and Omaha presented their works on the topic "Geographies of Women and Gender:

Intimate and Vast." More than 32 papers were presented at the conference and some of the topics were controversial.

Karen Falconer-Al Hindi, director of the women's studies department at UNO, said the energy of the interdisciplinary conference comes from the fact that every one has a different opinion or perspective on issues.

"We wanted a paper that had to do with gender issues, women issues, and if a student submitted anything that had to do with any of those, we accepted it," she said.

Christian Quello, a UNO student, said she was impressed by the quality of the presentations.

"I loved it, and the atmosphere was a lot more relaxed than I anticipated, and I appreciate that," Quello said.

No Limits gave UNO students the opportunity to meet successful women with different backgrounds such as Judy Gorman, a feminist songwriter, Jenny Grubber, an engineer at NASA and Nobouko Oyabu, a photojournalist.

Each of the three women shared her experience with the students in her own way.

Through her feminist songs, Gorman encouraged women to let their voices be heard and not to be afraid of singing or any other form of artistic expression.

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## Students receive Peter Kiewit Awards

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STAFF WRITER

The Peter Kiewit Foundation announced the recipients of the Walter Scott Entrepreneurial Business Award and the Peter Kiewit Student Entrepreneurial Award Feb. 21.

Rieke Metals Inc. received the Scott Entrepreneurial Business Award, which recognizes businesses for their work in the field of technology with the University of Nebraska. The company manufactures and sells magnesium and zinc metals.

In addition to working closely with the chemistry department, business administration department, Materials Science Program and the Office of Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the company also manufactures its metals with the help of part-time student employees. The \$10,000 prize will be used to help pay the company's student employees.

This year's recipient of the Peter Kiewit Student Entrepreneurial Award is Bill Frost.

As a UNL student, Frost has been recognized for creating a "business plan to test the commercial viability of using information technology for remote control of radio and television transmitters,"

according to a University of Nebraska news release.

Frost created a working prototype that was demonstrated at the 2002 Heartland Free Enterprise Conference and Competitions after he proved there was an unmet need for the product. The award included a \$2,500 prize for his work.

Fifty high school seniors throughout Nebraska were awarded the Distinguished Scholar Awards for 2003 on Feb. 24.

Each student will receive \$6,500 a year to attend a four-year Nebraska state-supported university. The scholarships are renewable for up to four years, bringing each scholarship to a grand total of \$26,000.

An independent panel of judges considered 800 applicants for the awards. Students were selected on the basis of ACT and SAT scores, class rank, difficulty of coursework, honors, activities, GPA, character references and an essay.

To be eligible, applicants must be residents of Nebraska and rank in the top 10 percent of their graduating classes.

The Peter Kiewit Foundation was founded in 1980 and has awarded over \$375 million in grants to non-profit organizations across Nebraska and Western Iowa.

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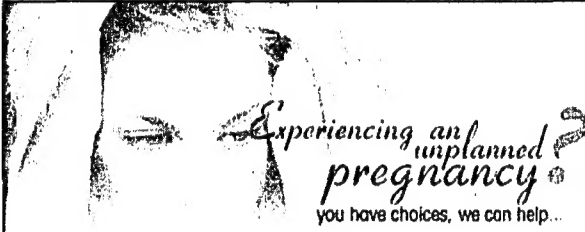
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## Snap, crackle, pop

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The sound of a person's joints cracking or popping can be loud and irritating.

It sounds like a stick being split in two and brings to mind a picture of bones crumbling.

To many, it may seem impolite, yet the sound is one that is routinely heard.

Cracking is a popular nervous habit. It is something to do with the hands but overall better than smoking. Like picking off scabs, it appears unhealthy but is still a compulsive behavior for many.

Nearly every joint can be cracked. Hands, neck, back and even parts of the face have cracking potential.

Like a twisted purification ritual, some people feel they must crack every possible joint in order to feel at ease with their bodies.

The exact source of joint popping is unknown.

A few theories exist on what causes the noise.

"One theory is the ligaments (tethers that hold the bones together) make these noises as they get tight rapidly when the joint is moving. In some instances, popping may be due to a tendon snapping over or around the joint," according to Johns Hopkins University's medical Web site.

The site also suggests nitrogen bubbles in the fluid inside the joint may be released when joints are shifted. The sound, much like folding stiff paper, is called "crepitus."

No local chiropractors were available to comment on the cause of popping.

However, Benson Clinic sponsors a pre-recorded message on the cracking of knees.

According to the message, a buildup of synovial fluid in the joints may be to blame.

A natural joint lubricator, the fluid builds up in tight places in between joints. By shifting the joint, the fluid quickly and loudly escapes.

Another theory is that worn down cartilage, the flexible material around joints, may be to blame. Friction between the joints could be making a crunching noise.

Everybody cracks and pops from time to time. The message says the sound is nothing to worry about as long there is no pain.

There are some common misconceptions and unconfirmed stories about chronic cracking, particularly of the knuckles.

First and foremost, cracking the knuckles does not cause arthritis. Friends and family may tell others this to make them stop making annoying noises.

Though cracking the neck may seem creepy, it will probably not cause a stroke. "Probably" is added because there is a story in existence of an elderly man who died after he cracked his neck, but a search of the Internet brought no clear results.

Besides out of boredom and habit, many cracking addicts perpetually pop their joints to relieve pressure and pain. It appears the pain relief may be psychological, much like people who swear they are physically addicted to ChapStick.

Although cracking is not likely to cause bodily harm, it is not recommended, either. Many find the sound irritating, distracting and, for the squeamish, disgusting.

Still, many people who do not even realize they are doing so continue to crack their joints out of habit. As the late Hank Ballard sang, "It's finger poppin' time."

## St. Patrick's Day: More than green beer

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St. Patrick's Day has not always been about drinking green beer and pinching those not wearing green. Believe it or not, there is more to this widely known holiday.

Many are familiar with St. Patrick's name but few know who he was.

According to the History Channel's Web site, [www.historychannel.com](http://www.historychannel.com), Patrick was born in Britain to wealthy parents near the end of the fourth century.

According to [www.saint-patricks-day-traditions.com](http://www.saint-patricks-day-traditions.com), his name was originally Maewyn.

At the age of 16, he was taken prisoner by a group of Irish raiders who were attacking his home.

During his six years of captivity in Ireland, he worked as a shepherd. He found the work lonely and turned to religion for solace.

It is reported that Maewyn believed God spoke to him in a dream, telling him to escape Ireland.

Maewyn returned to Britain but went back to Ireland as a missionary soon after he had a second vision.

While studying to become a priest, he took the name Patrick.

After becoming a priest, he was sent to Ireland to minister the Christians already there and to convert the Irish.

It is believed he died on March 17, around 460 A.D.

For thousands of years after his death, Ireland observed March 17 as a religious holiday.

People would attend church services in the morning and begin celebrating in the afternoon. There would be drinking, dancing and feasting on the traditional Irish meal of bacon and cabbage.

One might think the first St. Patrick's Day parade was held in Ireland, but it was actually held in the United States.

In 1792, Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City. From there, Irish patriotism in America flourished.

Today, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated around the world, even in Japan and Russia.

Drinking on this holiday appears to have become a modern-day tradition, but according to [www.historychannel.com](http://www.historychannel.com), Irish laws prohibited pubs from being open March 17 up until the 1970s.

This has since changed and the country uses the holiday as an incentive to increase tourism.

One of the most widely known customs is wearing green.

The wearing of green came from Ireland's national flower, the shamrock. One explanation offered is that when

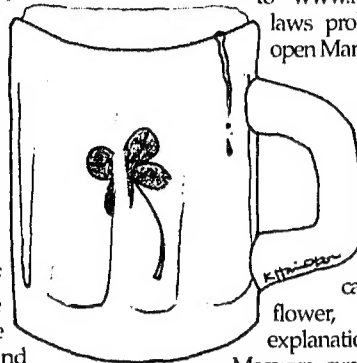
Maewyn explained the concept of the Trinity to the Irish, he used a shamrock as an analogy.

According to [www.saint-patricks-day-traditions.com](http://www.saint-patricks-day-traditions.com), finding a four-leaf clover is still considered lucky. If one happens to be in Ireland on March 17, it is considered very lucky to kiss the famous Blarney Stone.

Though Leprechauns have become a common symbol for St. Patrick's Day, there is no definite explanation for their link to the holiday.

Traditional Irish dishes for the holiday are corned beef and cabbage, Irish soda bread and green beer. The "traditions" Web site also suggests drinking Guinness beer or Irish coffee with whiskey and sugar.

To many people around the world, St. Patrick's Day may not have the same religious meaning it did hundreds of years ago, but that does not stop them from taking part in the festivities of St. Patrick's Day - at least the drinking part.



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## Are you who you want them to be?

My daughter is bossy, demands attention, can be very manipulative, is headstrong and has a wild imagination. She resists pressure, knows what she wants and will get it. She gets on my nerves. She is me.

I came across a quote by David Bly yesterday that really made me think: "Your child will become what you are; so be what you want them to be."

Who am I? Who are my children becoming by my example?

Although I've spent years working to instill manners and integrity into my children, I wonder now if I've undone these lessons with a contradictory behavior.

What do you demand from your children but not yourself — patience, understanding, compassion, cleanliness?

We are setting an excellent example as students; we are teaching our children the value of an extended education. We are highlighting the power of knowledge.

However, when we come home with a load of homework, an extensive research paper or a series of quickly approaching deadlines, are we still positively accenting our education? Or are we grumbling about too much to do and no time to do it?

Is it possible we're still happy and listening to every story our children share, or are we snapping, focused only on what needs to be done for work, school, etc.?

When our children pick the thickest

### Let's talk kids



Jennifer Mullins

book on the shelf for a bedtime story, are we sighing heavily and dragging our feet reluctantly to the task? Or are we showing our children we value them and enjoy spending time with them by tackling bedtime stories with enthusiasm?

Flipping off the aggressive driver who cuts you off and causes you to slam on your brakes makes you feel better, but what

example has it set for your children? How will they handle similar situations in their lives? How would you feel watching them do the same thing?

It's a scary thought, but our children are our mirrors. They mimic what we say, how we react to difficult situations, and how we treat other people. Would you be embarrassed to watch your child behave the way you have today?

Much of my time is spent thinking about how other people feel about my actions.

I am sensitive to most other people, but there are times when I just get so tired of giving and getting nothing in return.

I am ashamed my children see me at that point. That is when I am waving a middle finger out the window to an idiot on the road, refusing to attempt something because I fear I will fail or telling my children

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## The louder it shouts, the fatter America becomes

It's a striking thought.

Roughly half of America's population has been defined as obese or overweight.

The import of this statement hit me recently, provoking a reaction that was at first one of curiosity, then of gravity and then of plain amusement.

The "lipification of America" is a phenomenon that has caught national attention in recent times, from disgruntled kids and smart-alec lawyers suing McDonalds for "poisoning them" to nationally celebrated fitness personalities offering the two-hour work the fat out, crash and burn video exercise programs and "revolutionary diets" a la Dr. Atkins: "Eat Fat and Stay Thin."

The professional definition of obesity has to do with body mass and the skeleton or something like that. However, I am not sure what influence this definition has on the public's perception of a "fat person."

We do know, however, that more and more people are being pronounced obese, meaning big bucks for those whose mission in life is to give people the body shape they desire.

There are marketers everywhere who know how to play on people's psychological issues.

To get the right "tooty," you have to slim down. To get the right man, you have to slim down. To get the right job, you have to slim down. To get into the airplane seat, you have to slim down.

The war over fat shows no sign of abating and more troops are being deployed to each front.

The "amply endowed" of America have countered in a remarkable offensive.

"Fat" is now a prohibited word; "big" is now the politically correct definition to use.

"Big" people are being encouraged to love themselves. Doctors, physicians and wise men who know what's what have allied themselves on the side of the "big" people.

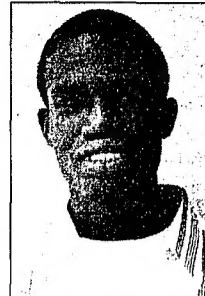
"Bigness" is now a genetic condition, as are lazy habits, greed and a particular sweeping motion of the jaw.

Regardless, the "big" people have endeared many to them and are adding to their numbers daily.

Not to be defeated, the sane people of America have recognized obesity for what it is — "an epidemic of national proportions." Frightening scenarios are being conjured up and used freely in infomercials and late-night shows — "A nation drowned in its own fat," "People too heavy to run and flee for safety when the bombs drop," "Our kids are too fat to learn," "Fat reduces intelligence."

As questionable as the veracity of some of these claims may be, there has been a

### Coming to America



Fisayo Adejuyigbe

steady mobilization against "fat, fatness and such things that promote them" over the years. The situation looks ready to come to a head and all indications point to the fact that when it does, things will be very messy.

In a world where the number of underfed people was equal to the number of overweight people (1.2 billion on each side in the year 2000), it

seems obvious the disparity in global distribution of wealth is now being reflected internationally in body sizes, "lipid indexes" and national budgets.

In the 1990s, hunger cost some countries in Asia three to nine percent of their GDP, whereas within the same time period, obesity cost the United States 12 percent of its national healthcare budget, a whopping sum of \$118 billion.

More and more are passing through the portals of the fattening room.

Yes, people have a right to eat what they want, yes people can choke on fries all day if they so desire — civil liberty guarantees people the right to eat themselves to death and get indebted in the process.

The interesting thing is the wheels of trade that run our world ensure that in events such as these, there are those who are allied to both sides of the war and stand to benefit tremendously if and when payday comes.

There are the houses of food whose mainstay is selling products rich in fattening agents. For them, America couldn't be fat enough (after all, the big people aren't rolling around in wheel chairs yet).

There are the solicitors whose job is to bring "big fat" down and they'll be darned if a few French fries are going to stand in their way.

There are the fitness instructors who have a large market among "big" people and there are the doctors whose job is to prescribe liposuction, stomach stapling or phen-phen.

And then, of course, there are the "big" people and their lust for things enticing.

It is true that obesity is sometimes a medical condition, but it is hard to convince a rational observer that the fat pumps of America are the "pesky genes," because those genes never seem to show up in the impoverished places of the earth.

However, regardless of the arguments on either side, one thing is sure — fat is the image problem it is today in this land because America shouts "Stay thin!"

And the louder America shouts, the fatter it becomes.

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## New Artists Show at Co-op is first for many

BOBBI MCCOLLUM  
STAFF WRITER

"This is my first show," Farzan Kholousi says, standing in the Artist Co-op's downtown gallery for the opening reception of the New Artists Show. "It's very exciting. I've never done this before."

Pieces by Kholousi, painter Mike Loftus, silk painter Virginia Ocken and jewelry designer Jim Brummel will be on display at the Artist Co-op Gallery through March 30. The artists are all new to the gallery and Kholousi is paying close attention to the crowd's reaction to his work.

"I look to make sure how much time they spend [looking at my work] and try to see if they respond to it any way," he says. "See if they like it or they stare at it or what."

The Co-op offers artists the opportunity to be a part of a working gallery and put their art on display.

"Basically, as an artist, you want to show your product to the world and let it be seen by others," Kholousi explains. "My intention of

getting involved with the Co-op was to find the opportunity, a window, to show my work."

Kholousi works in mixed media. His piece titled "The Pond" features painted seashells that scatter down the canvas diagonally before tapering off. Plaster of Paris comes together in thick, stringy lines to give the illusion of seaweed. Varying shades of green burst from the form in resemblance of ferns.

"I've done watercolor, acrylic and oil, and I got bored with it because it's redundant and everybody uses that kind

of media," Kholousi says. "I changed my medium because each object in itself forced me to create something new. I feel s o m e w h a t limited using paint on a flat surface, so I explored 3-D objects."

"Actually, I paint with objects rather than just paint," he said. "I try to create painting that's created by juxtaposition of forms and abstract shapes

put together to create negative spaces as well as positive."

Many artists choose to sketch out ideas and work from there. However, like his media, Kholousi's process is different.

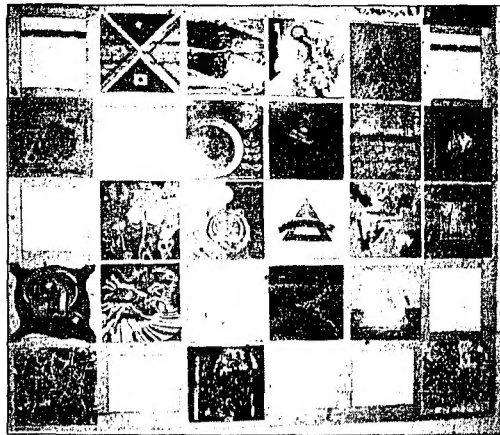
"I start with no preconceived notion of anything," he says. "I just decide what form I'm going to use, what object. Then I just start playing with it. Whatever it comes out as I go about just happens."

"Sometimes I go back and change the color or something, but [the pieces do] not [start as] a sketch," the artist says. "They're not preconceived before I start out. It happens with the process."

Because there's no preconceived notion, there's no preconceived title. Each of Kholousi's pieces is named well into the process or once the work is completed.

"A lot of time it's a memory or expression of an event that probably intrigued me the most," he explains. "It might remind me of a pond or a place I was five years ago and I can vaguely remember that image in my mind. Sort of halfway through the painting I say, 'My God, this is like a pond that I saw five years ago with those beautiful flowers.'"

The Artist Co-op Gallery, located at 405 S. 11th St., is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.



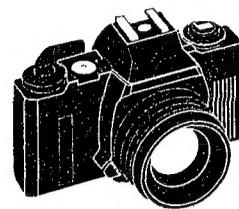
The New Artists Show features works by Farzan Kholousi, Mike Loftus, Virginia Ocken and Jim Brummel. The gallery is located at 405 S. 11th St. in Omaha's Old Market.

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The Co-op's New Artists Show will be on display through March 30.



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## Mav men rally, knock off Sioux

PAUL FREELEND  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Road woes haunted the Maverick men's basketball team throughout the season, but a late revival resulted in a two-game winning streak.

UNO used a late rally to win 81-73 at North Dakota in the Wells Fargo North Central Conference men's basketball tournament.

Defending NCC Player of the Year Jerome Beasley led the Fighting Sioux to a 41-33 halftime edge, scoring 19 first-half points.

The Mavs made a number of runs at UND in the second half and twice cut the lead down to two points, but each time the Maverick run was repelled.

Jade Jahner hit a three-pointer with 7:07 left in the game that put the Sioux up 65-59, but it would be another 6:47 before UND would find the bottom of the net again. A pair of free throws from Calvin Kapels and baskets from Tola Dada and Ty Graham pulled UNO level before Josh Johnson's two free throws put the Sioux ahead for the final time.

Dan Morrow tied the game at 67-67 with 3:42 left and the Mavs took their first lead since 13-12 as Seth Nelson's layup put UNO ahead to stay.

UND missed five straight shots, all threes, in its attempt to catch UNO while Nelson drilled a three of his own, giving the Mavs a 72-67 lead with 2:34 left. The Sioux hit two straight three-pointers to pull to within four points, but free throws from Nelson, Dada and Morrow kept the home team at bay and put the Mavericks

in the NCC semifinals.

UNO's win was just its third on the road in the conference and first against a team that qualified for the post season tournament.

The Mavs also returned a favor to the Sioux, who spoiled UNO's home winning streak earlier in the year, as the win snapped UND's 22-game winning streak at Hyslop Arena.

UNO outscored UND 48-32 in the second half while shooting 57.1 percent to the Sioux's 35.5 and outrebounding them 41-31.

Adam Wetzel led UNO (19-9) with 25 points on 11-15 shooting and six rebounds and Nelson had 18 points and five rebounds. Kapels added 11 points, six assists and six rebounds for the Mavericks. Beasley led UND (20-8) with a game-high 30 points on 9-22 shooting.

Second-seeded South Dakota State (23-5) will be UNO's next opponent, as the Jackrabbits broke a 34-34 halftime tie to beat Minnesota State-Mankato 79-65.

The other semifinal will have No. 4-seed North Dakota State (20-10), 67-59 winners over South Dakota, playing top-seed and host school St. Cloud State (23-4) in St. Cloud, Minn.

UNO and SDSU will tip off against each other for the third time this year at 6 p.m. Friday. The Huskies and Bison will follow at 8 p.m.

The winners advance to the conference title game Saturday with the winner receiving an automatic berth into the NCAA Division II regional tournament.

## Hockey team hits low point

BRIAN BRASHAW  
SPORTS EDITOR

Just like any other team, the UNO hockey team has been shut out before.

And sure, they have been shut out in back-to-back games before (Jan. 22 and 23, 1999 at Alaska-Fairbanks and Feb. 12 and 13 at St. Cloud State).

But the Mavericks deserved better last weekend.

The Mavericks fired off a total of 75 shots on the weekend and had 16 power-play opportunities, but they just couldn't crack Ferris State goalie Mike Brown.

Brown and Co. all but wrapped up their first CCHA title with a 5-0, 4-0 sweep of UNO.

The Bulldogs had two strong third-period performances in the sweep. They scored five of their nine goals in the third period.

Ferris State came out flying at the start Friday.

UNO goaltender Dan Ellis frustrated the Bulldog offense as he stopped Chris Kunitz on a breakaway, but that wouldn't stop Ferris State from scoring.

The Bulldogs got on the board while on the power play at 3:18, as Chris Kunitz deflected a shot from the point by Derek Nesbitt. The puck bounced between Ellis's legs to give Ferris a 1-0 lead.

The game then turned into a goaltenders' duel.

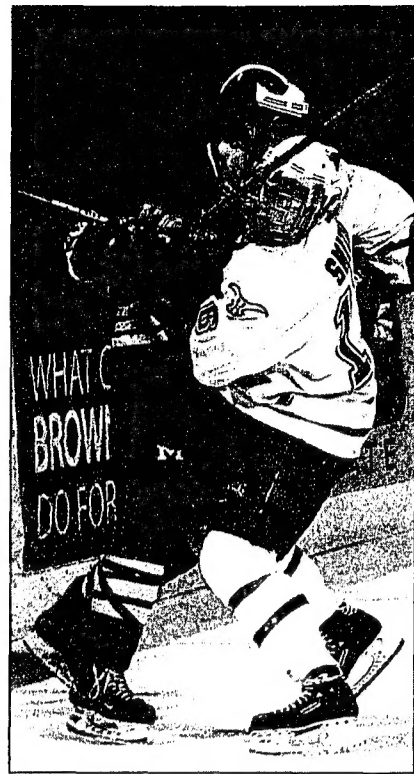
While Ellis made key stops at one end of the ice, Ferris netminder Mike Brown showed his skills at the other end.

Ferris State was awarded a 5-on-3 power play but could not convert. Ellis gloved the only shot on the power play, a diving stop on Jeff Legue.

"As the game progressed, it looked as if Ellis was going to dominate the game," Bulldog Coach Bob Daniels said. "I knew Mike Brown had to do the same thing, especially after we couldn't convert on that 5-on-3 power play."

A late second-period goal by Simon Mangos gave Ferris its momentum back and sparked a three-goal third period for the Bulldogs.

Matt York and Kunitz both registered power-play goals and Brett Smith added



UNO's Aaron Smith gets tangled up with a Michigan player during the Mavericks' last home game.

the fifth late in the third.

Brown stopped 44 Maverick shots Saturday as Ferris sealed the sweep.

"The puck was like a big balloon out there," Brown said. "It just seemed to get bigger and bigger as the game went on. The game last night just gave us so much confidence."

It was almost a carbon copy of Friday night.

Kunitz was stopped on a breakaway on the first shift of the game, but at 2:47, Nesbitt put Ferris State on the board. Legue centered the puck for a wide-open Nesbitt, who buried the puck past Ellis to take a 1-0 lead.

Greg Rallo scored in the second period. Phil Lewandowski scored 57 seconds into the third and Nesbitt scored shorthanded at 9:49.

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## Bison thunder past Maverick women

PAUL FREELEND  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

North Dakota State's shooting belied the sub-zero temperatures in Fargo, N.D., as the Bison rolled to a 113-69 win over the Mav women in the first round of the Wells Fargo North Central Conference basketball tournament.

Twelfth-ranked NDSU (25-5) and UNO (12-16) were paired as the fourth and fifth seeds after the Bison lost the third-place coin flip with North Dakota and the Mavs won the fifth-place flip with Northern Colorado.

UNO, competing in the NCC tournament for the first time under its current format, stayed with NDSU early on and took an early 14-10 lead on baskets from Tanya Hammes and Sara Peterson. The Bison got in a groove soon after and took advantage of three consecutive UNO turnovers to build a 33-23 lead with 5:13 left in the first half. The Mavericks rallied and cut the lead to six points before a late Bison surge set the halftime score at 48-35.

NDSU shot 51.4 percent (18-35) from the field in the first half and showed few signs of slowing, scoring the first seven points of the second half to take a 20-point lead.

The Mavericks, in contrast, saw their shooting slide to 35.1 percent (13-37) in the second half after a 15-34 first-half effort. UNO pulled within 70-55 with 12:04 left on a

■ see PAST, page 7



# Questions answered for Maverick wrestlers in Fargo

J. PARKER ADAIR

STAFF WRITER

It was a day of reckoning for Maverick wrestling team as it qualified seven for the NCAA Division II tournament, which will be held in Wheeling, W.V. March 14 and 15.

Heading into the North Central Conference tournament in Fargo, N.D., the Mavs were faced with several questions as to who would be showing up on the mat.

Leading up to the NWCA national dual tournament, UNO was ranked second, but a loss to the University of Nebraska at Kearney sent the team into a tailspin.

After losing several wrestlers due to injury, including former top-ranked Bobby Edmonds, and dual matches to teams like North Dakota State and Minnesota State-Mankato, many wrestling fans began to wonder whether the team deserved such a high ranking.

Sunday, all questions were answered as the team won its third North Central Conference title in five years. The Mavericks produced four individual champions, two runners-up and a fourth-place finisher.

Dan Hilario, who has been battling a groin injury for more than a month, came out strong and showed why he was an all-American last year. The No. 5 sophomore defeated Northern Colorado's Mark Hastings to earn his first NCC title.

Three-time all-American Roderick Ratcliff proved himself worthy of his first NCC tourney title by defeating South Dakota State's Jeremy Roe 8-3. Ratcliff,



Dan Hilario battles an Augustana opponent during a recent match.

currently ranked fourth, finished second in 2000.

Chad Wallace, who has been ranked No. 1 all year, went out of the NCC tournament with a bang. Last year's NCAA runner-up won his third consecutive NCC title with a 12-6 win over No. 6 Brian Kraemer of North Dakota State, bettering his record to 33-1.

Les Sigman, the freshman phenom, improved his record to 33-3 as well when he knocked off St. Cloud State's No. 3 Dustin Darveaux by a major decision to take home his first NCC crown.

Mitch Waite lost his second one-point decision in the past week to Minnesota State-Mankato's No. 2 Tony Fratzke. Fratzke beat No. 5 Waite 7-6 to earn the NCC title.

Zach Stalder stepped onto the championship mat as last year's winner

but walked off as this year's runner-up. The loss to No. 1 Tyler Jones of South Dakota State gave Stalder his seventh loss of the year.

Blu Wahle had to qualify the hard way after losing his opening-round match. Wahle wrestled back all the way to the consolation finals where the junior earned his first trip to the NCAA Division II tournament.

After all was said and done, the Mavs had stormed to the NCC title and wiped the mat with their competitors.

UNO finished first with 76.5 points, NDSU had 55 and Northern Colorado had 52.

UNO will walk into Wheeling with their history of 169 national qualifiers, 15 of who can call themselves national champions.

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Gruber shared her experiences in the male-dominated field of engineering and her route to become an astronaut.

Oyabu, a rape survivor, shared with the audience photographs of survivors of assault in her project: "STAND: Faces of Rape & Sexual Abuse Survivors Project."

Falconer- Al Hindi said everything went fine. The conference would not have been possible without the help of numerous people on and off campus, she added.

"The luncheon speakers were fantastic, but all that is just gravy, something extra," Falconer- Al Hindi said. "What really made the conference interesting was the quality of the students' presentations."

## from WANT, page 4

to go away because I've had a bad day.

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How do we feel about that?

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## from PAST, page 6

Shannon Eggers basket and a three-pointer from Kara Paul. But that was as close as the Mavs would come, as the Bison outscored UNO 65-34 in the second half to run out 113-69 winners.

Senior Tanya Hammes led UNO with 16 points and a game-high 14 rebounds, becoming the 17th player in school history to surpass 1,000 points in her career. Paul had 13 points, Eggers added 12 points and six assists and J.J. Smith had 10 points. Peterson, UNO's leading scorer, was held to four points on 2-13 shooting and four assists. Angie Froehlich led six Bison players in double figures with 25 points.

NDSU advances to play top-seeded South Dakota State (25-2) in Brookings, S.D., Friday in the NCC semifinals. The other semifinal will feature North Dakota, 76-57 winners over Northern Colorado, and South Dakota, who beat Augustana 88-54.

## from LOW, page 6

The Mavericks went 0 for 10 on the power play Saturday.

The Bulldogs now sit with 41 points, four points ahead of second-place Michigan, with one weekend of conference action left.

All the Bulldogs need is one point against 11th-place Bowling Green to win the title outright.

The Mavericks stand in 10th place with a non-conference home-and-home against Minnesota State-Mankato.

The Mavericks will most likely travel to third-place Ohio State March 14 for the first round of the playoffs.

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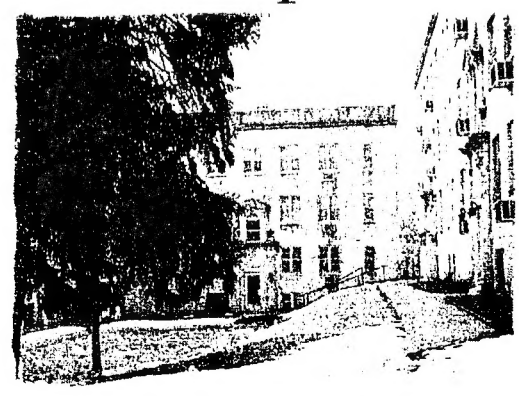
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110 HPER Larry

W.E.T.  
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.  
HPER Pool Sheryl

Cardio Funk  
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.  
110 HPER Jennifer

Women on Weights  
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.  
105 HPER Julie

Basic Training  
7:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
250 HPER Janine

### Wednesday

Kickbox  
6:55 to 7:20 a.m.  
110 HPER Vicki

Aqua Lunch  
Noon to 12:45 p.m.  
HPER Pool Sheryl

Kickbox Mix  
12:10 to 1 p.m.  
110 HPER Chris

Muscle Conditioning  
4:15 to 5:15 p.m.  
110 HPER Larry

Step 'n' Tone  
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.  
110 HPER Lily

### Thursday

Kickbox Mix  
7:45 to 8:30 a.m.  
110 HPER Larry

W.E.T.  
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.  
HPER Pool Sheryl

Basic Training  
7:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
250 HPER Janine

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## Lost & Found

**FOR ITEMS LOST AT UNO**  
Contact Campus Security, EAB 100, 554-2648. Turned-in items can be claimed by a description and proper identification.

Advertising for items lost or found on the UNO campus will be published free in the Gateway for two weeks. Forms are available at the Office located in Milo Bail 1st Floor.

## Help WANTED

PT sales help wanted at Haney Shoe Store. 6060 Maple St. Contact Mark 556-2022

## Day Camp Counselors Needed

The Sarpy YMCA is currently seeking applicants for the temporary full time position of day camp counselors (Camp Elkhorn & Camp Pokamoke). Qualified candidates must be a minimum of 18 years of age (State Nebraska requirements) and possess a high school diploma or GED. Bachelors degree in progress preferred. Activities include: Horseback riding, skits, songs, overnight camping, swimming, biking, hiking, arts and crafts, and archery. Interested candidates should apply at the Sarpy YMCA or contact Tracy Heiman at 339-9861

## Leasing Consultant

We are seeking dependable person to lease apartments. Good communication skills required. We will train. Hours are flexible. Apply in person at Laurelwood Apartments 5439 N. 100th Plaza (99th and Fort) Call 572-1000 for an appointment. Monday through Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm.

## SUPERHEROS WANTED

Developmental Services of Nebraska, Inc. is currently looking for extraordinary people who want to make a difference in someone's life. Red cape not required. Check out [www.dsnonline.org](http://www.dsnonline.org) or call (402) 827-7652 for more info today!

## BREWSKY'S

Now taking applications for keno writers and door. Apply in person at 15350 Weir St. (156th & Q).

## MY GYM CHILDREN'S FITNESS CENTER

Nationally Recognized Children's Fitness Center is in search of high energy individual to fill a part time/ full time lead teacher position in Omaha location. Qualified candidate has a love for children & background in gymnastics, dance, or child development. Position includes all hours and weekends. Excellent opportunity for outgoing college student...get paid to play! For consideration, call 758-9558 to set up an interview!

## #1 Fun Job!

Do you want to spend your summer having fun? For details call Tiffany at 558-8189 ext. 233 or Liz at ext. 217. Gain leadership skills, make life-long friends, and be a role model. Wanted: counselors, unit leaders, lifeguards, wranglers or other specialties. Who wants to be part of a team that gets to play all day? Call or e-mail, [tcclifton@gpgirlscouts.org](mailto:tcclifton@gpgirlscouts.org), or [emartin@gpgirlscouts.org](mailto:emartin@gpgirlscouts.org) Check the web today! [www.gpgirlscouts.org](http://www.gpgirlscouts.org)

## SERVICES

### PIANO INSTRUCTION

Experienced, caring teacher with Master's Degree. Children & adults of all ages welcome. Donna Zebolsky 991-5774

## Typing SERVICES

APA or MLA papers. Resumes. Prompt, professional. Close to UNO. Mary 551-8183

## ROOMMATES WANTED

Share a furnished apt. with other roommates. All utilities, cable & phone paid. No deposit, no lease. \$75-\$110 a wk. Rent may be paid weekly, bi-monthly, or monthly. 271-1588

## FOR RENT

1 bedroom house remodeled, fenced yard, off-street parking, water paid. 47th & Cuming. \$380 rent + deposit. Call Rick @ 551-3109

Nice, large 3 bed + dormer house, 2 baths, 1 car, appliances included. Available March 1st. 1534 S. 24th St. \$695/mo. 455-2709

Apartments for rent, midtown area. Remodeled, clean, quiet, controlled access, off street parking, no smoking, no pets! Free colored TV, microwave or book allowance with years lease. Rent from someone who care about you. Call for details, Sharon Paterson. Owner 721-1031

## HOUSING

Free room in lovely home within walking distance to UNO in exchange for light house keeping duties & willingness to be at home evenings. Call 391-4842 for additional information.

APTS., HOUSES and sleeping rms. for rent, roommate lists - call UNO off-campus Housing Referral Service at 554-2383 or stop in the Admin. Office, Milo Bail Student Center.

**APARTMENTS AVAILABLE**  
9 Month Lease Available 417, 421-423 North 40th Street (Between Cathedral and Joslyn Castle) Large 1 and 2 Bedroom Apartments Carpet, Central Air, All appliances Off Street Parking, Security. Lease from \$375-\$495 per month Heat and Water Paid Belgrade Company Phone 393-6306 or Fax 393-4208

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fraternities • Sororities Clubs • Student Groups**  
Earn \$1,000-\$2,000 this semester with a proven CampusFundraiser 3 hour fundraising event. **Our programs make fundraising easy with no risks.** Fundraising dates are filling quickly, so get with the program! It works. Contact CampusFundraiser at (888) 923-3238, or visit [www.campusfundraiser.com](http://www.campusfundraiser.com)

Academy of Bartending  
Day, evening or weekend classes available. Job placement assistance our #1 priority- \$199.00 tuition with student I.D. Call Now! 1800-BARTEND [www.Bartendingcollege.com](http://www.Bartendingcollege.com)

**Having a difficult time?**  
The Community Counseling Clinic in Kayser Hall 421 is free to students and low cost for everyone. Call 554-2727 for an appointment.

**NEWS TID?  
CALL  
554-2470**